--- 1 Pound - Black - “Series of 1897” - 452 x 20 mm. ---

--- R*ecess printed* in BLACK ink - with *dark tablets* - 4½ mm. *red controls* - scanned at 35% scale ---

--- *coarse roulette* - on *horizontal mesh* wove - 23 mm. imprint “AMERICAN BANK NOTE CO. OTTAWA” **---**

The catalogue lists the “Series of 1897” recess printed 1 pound black strip as follows:

RP-669 - 1 pound, black, *coarse roulette*, on horizontal mesh wove, 452 mm. in length, with 4½ mm. ***red controls***
RP-669a - 1 pound, black, *coarse roulette*, on horizontal mesh wove, 452 mm. in length, with 4½ mm. ***purple controls***

The control numbering was a repeating cycle from **000001** to **9999999**. Thus, maintaining a consecutive control listing serves only to provide a measure of the relative scarcity of a particular strip. Lacking company records, there is no way to tell how many times ABN repeated their numbering cycle. Extant unused strips are mainly late date *remnants* which became available when the strips were declared to be obsolete.

RP-669 - 1 pound, *coarse roulette*, control **3577947**, on *horizontal mesh* wove
Roller cancelled **TOBACCO / 6-17** by “D. Ritchie Tobacco”, Montreal

165002★	RP-669	1 pound, coarse roulette, on wove paper with a distinct horizontal mesh
165015	RP-669	1 pound, coarse roulette, on horizontal mesh wove
3577947★	RP-669	1 pound, coarse roulette, on wove paper with a distinct horizontal mesh, rollered **TOBACCO / 6-17**
6638784★	RP-669	1 pound, coarse roulette, on a 6½” x 4” x 4” tin of **“T & B Renowned Myrtle Cut”** Tobacco, by “Geo. Tuckett & Sons”, Hamilton
6669118★	RP-669	1 pound, coarse roulette, on wove paper with an indistinct horizontal mesh, with an unreadable purple oval cancellation
8231063★	RP-669	1 pound, coarse roulette, on wove paper with an indistinct horizontal mesh, rollered **TOBACCO / 9-17**

From the ABN Archive Sale of 1990

--- 1 pound, black, imperforate plate proofs mounted on thin cardboard - a pair ---
For filing, this proof has been folded in the center by ABN - 442 x 20 mm.

1 pound, black, an imperforate plate proof, mounted on light cardboard - 442 x 20 mm

Judging from the die proof mounted on light cardboard, the one pound die (printed by *hand press*) measures 442 x 20 mm. The black one pound production copies (printed by *rotary press*) measure 452 x 20 mm.

RP-669 DP - 1 Pound Tobacco, imperforate black die proof "CANADA-F-48" on heavy wove paper
449 mm. two-piece die proof - 276 and 173 mm. - the left end has been optically split for scanning

RP-669n - 1 pound, *coarse roulette*, on wove paper with a distinct *horizontal mesh*, without control numbering
Roller cancelled **TOBACCO / A-20** by the tobacco merchant "C. T. Bates & Co.," Ottawa - 452 x 20 mm

RP-669n - 1 pound, *coarse roulette*, on wove paper with a distinct *horizontal mesh* without control numbering
Stamped **CANCELLED** and **Registered** in purple ink - 452 x 20 mm

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The collection ***does not contain*** a copy of **RP-669a** - the *coarse roulette* one pound black strip on *horizontal mesh* wove with ***purple controls***. **WANTED!** I can only presume that this item is printed on *horizontal mesh* wove paper.

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